



STATE OF WISCONSIN

Senate Journal

Ninety–Fourth Regular Session

2:00 P.M.

MONDAY, January 4, 1999

The Senate met.

The Senate was called to order by Senator Brian Rude.

The Senate stood for the prayer which was offered by Reverend James DeGollier, Chaplain at the Veterans Hospital here in Madison.

The Senate remained standing and Senator A. Lasee led the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

State of Wisconsin Elections Board

December 10, 1998

The Honorable, The Senate:

I am pleased to provide you with a copy of the official canvass of the November 3, 1998, General Election vote for state senator along with the determination by the Chairperson of the State Elections Board of the winners.

With this letter, I am delivering the Certificates of Election and transmittal letters for the winners to you for distribution.

If the State Elections Board can provide you with any further information or assistance, please contact our office.

Sincerely,

KEVIN J. KENNEDY
Executive Director

Statement of Canvass for State Senator

GENERAL ELECTION, November 3, 1998

I, Don M. Millis, Chairperson of the State Elections Board, certify that the attached tabular statements, as compiled from the certified returns made to the State Elections Board by the county clerks of the several counties of the state, contain a correct abstract of the total number of votes given for the election of candidates for State Senator at a General Election held in the several towns, wards, villages, and election districts in said counties on the Third day of November, 1998.

I DO, THEREFORE, DETERMINE AND CERTIFY that the following candidates, having each received the greatest number of votes in their respective senatorial districts, are duly elected State Senator:

Senate District

1st District
3rd District
5th District
7th District
9th District
11th District

Elected

Alan J. Lasee
Brian Burke
Peggy A. Rosenzweig
Richard A. Grobschmidt
Jim Baumgart
Joanne B. Huelsman

13th District
15th District
17th District
19th District
21st District
23rd District
25th District
27th District
29th District
31st District
33rd District

Scott Fitzgerald
Judy Robson
Dale W. Schultz
Michael G. Ellis
Kimberly M. Plache
Dave Zien
Bob Jauch
Jon Erpenbach
Russ Decker
Rod Moen
Margaret A. Farrow

Done in the City
of Madison, this 30th day of
November, 1998.

DON M. MILLIS
Chairperson, State Elections Board

Upon the calling of the newly elected Senators on Monday, January 6, 1999, the following appeared before the Senate took and subscribed the oath of office which was administered by the Honorable Shirley Abrahamson, Chief Justice of the Wisconsin Supreme Court.

Alan J. Lasee
Peggy A. Rosenzweig
Jim Baumgart
Scott Fitzgerald
Dale W. Schultz
Kimberly M. Plache
Bob Jauch
Russ Decker
and Margaret A. Farrow

Brian Burke
Richard A. Grobschmidt
Joanne B. Huelsman
Judy Robson
Michael G. Ellis
Dave Zien
Jon Erpenbach
Rod Moen

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Senators Baumgart, Breske, Burke, Chvala, Clausing, Cowles, Decker, Drzewiecki, Ellis, Erpenbach, Farrow, Fitzgerald, George, Grobschmidt, Huelsman, Jauch, A. Lasee, Lazich, Moen, Moore, Panzer, Plache, Risser, Robson, Roessler, Rosenzweig, Rude, Schultz, Shibilski, Welch and Zien – 31.

Absent – Senators Darling and Wirsch – 2.

Absent with leave – None.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Senator Ellis, with unanimous consent, asked that Senator Wirsch be granted a leave of absence for today's session.

Senator Ellis, with unanimous consent, asked that Senator Darling be granted a leave of absence for today's session.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

The committee on **Senate Organization** reports and recommends:

Senate Resolution 1

Relating to: notifying the assembly and the governor that the 1999–2000 senate is organized.

Introduction.

Ayes, 5 – Senators Chvala, Risser, Moen, Ellis and Rude.

Noes, 0 – None.

Considered as privileged and taken up.

Senate Resolution 1

Relating to: notifying the assembly and the governor that the 1999–2000 senate is organized.

Read.

The question was: Shall **Senate Resolution 1** be adopted?

The ayes and noes were required and the vote was: ayes, 31; noes, 0; absent or not voting, 2; as follows:

Ayes – Senators Baumgart, Breske, Burke, Chvala, Clausung, Cowles, Decker, Drzewiecki, Ellis, Erpenbach, Farrow, Fitzgerald, George, Grobschmidt, Huelsman, Jauch, A. Lasee, Lazich, Moen, Moore, Panzer, Plache, Risser, Robson, Roessler, Rosenzweig, Rude, Schultz, Shibilski, Welch and Zien – 31.

Noes – None.

Absent or not voting – Senators Darling and Wirch – 2.

Adopted.

The President, Fred A. Risser, the President Pro Tempore, Gary George, the Chief Clerk, Donald J. Schneider, and the Sergeant–At–Arms, Jon Hochkammer. Having been duly elected by the adoption of the **Senate Resolution 1**, appeared together before the bar of the Senate, took and subscribed the oath of office which was administered by Chief Justice Shirley Abrahamson.

Senate Resolution 2

To repeal senate rule [21m](#); Relating to: adopting most of the rules of the 1997 senate as the rules of the 1999 senate.

Introduction.

Ayes, 5 – Senators Chvala, Risser, Moen, Ellis and Rude.

Noes, 0 – None.

Considered as privileged and taken up.

Senate Resolution 2

21Relating to: adopting most of the rules of the 1997 senate as the rules of the 1999 senate.

Read.

The question was: Shall **Senate Resolution 2** be adopted?

The ayes and noes were required and the vote was: ayes, 31; noes, 0; absent or not voting, 2; as follows:

Ayes – Senators Baumgart, Breske, Burke, Chvala, Clausung, Cowles, Decker, Drzewiecki, Ellis, Erpenbach, Farrow, Fitzgerald, George, Grobschmidt, Huelsman, Jauch, A. Lasee, Lazich, Moen, Moore, Panzer, Plache, Risser, Robson, Roessler, Rosenzweig, Rude, Schultz, Shibilski, Welch and Zien – 31.

Noes – None.

Absent or not voting – Senators Darling and Wirch – 2.

Adopted.

Charles Chvala
Chairperson

The joint committee on **Legislative Organization** reports and recommends:

Senate Joint Resolution 1

Relating to: the session schedule for the 1999–2000 biennial session period and extending the deadline for the governor’s budget message.

Introduction.

Ayes, 10 – Senators Risser, Chvala, Moen, Ellis and Rude. Representatives Jensen, Foti, Ladwig, Krug and Schneider.

Noes, 0 – None.

Considered as privileged and taken up.

Senate Joint Resolution 1

Relating to: the session schedule for the 1999–2000 biennial session period and extending the deadline for the governor’s budget message.

Read.

The question was: Shall **Senate Joint Resolution 1** be adopted?

The ayes and noes were required and the vote was: ayes, 31; noes, 0; absent or not voting, 2; as follows:

Ayes – Senators Baumgart, Breske, Burke, Chvala, Clausung, Cowles, Decker, Drzewiecki, Ellis, Erpenbach, Farrow, Fitzgerald, George, Grobschmidt, Huelsman, Jauch, A. Lasee, Lazich, Moen, Moore, Panzer, Plache, Risser, Robson, Roessler, Rosenzweig, Rude, Schultz, Shibilski, Welch and Zien – 31.

Noes – None.

Absent or not voting – Senators Darling and Wirch – 2.

Adopted.

Fred Risser
Senate Chairperson

Senator Chvala, with unanimous consent, asked that all action be immediately messaged to the Assembly.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin
Secretary of State

December 30, 1998

The Honorable, The Senate:

I, DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby certify that the following proposed amendments to the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin have been approved by the regular session of the 1997–98 legislature and duly published as required by Section 1 of [Article XII of the Constitution](#):

Enrolled Joint Resolution 18 (second consideration)

Enrolled Joint Resolution 19 (first consideration)

Enrolled Joint Resolution 20 (first consideration)

Enrolled Joint Resolution 21 (second consideration)

Enrolled Joint Resolutions 19 and 20, which passed first consideration, are due for second consideration in the 1999–2000 legislature.

Sincerely,

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State

State of Wisconsin

November 23, 1998

The Honorable, The Senate:

This letter is to officially inform you that I am resigning from my position as Senate Democratic Caucus Chair, effective January 4, 1999.

I have greatly enjoyed my term as caucus chair. It was a pleasure and a privilege to serve our members over the course of the previous legislative session. I am pleased now to be able to turn over this position to another Senator as I prepare to assume my new Senate duties and assignments in the 1999–2000 session of the legislature.

Sincerely,

KIMBERLY M. PLACHE
State Senator

**ANNOUNCEMENTS, ADJOURNMENT
HONORS AND REMARKS UNDER SPECIAL
PRIVILEGE**

Senator Chvala, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn, it do so in honor of Senator Plache's birthday today.

Senator Chvala, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn, it do so in honor of the U.W. Badger's winning the Rose Bowl.

Senator Welch, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn, it do so in honor of Aldo Leopold an American naturalist and forester, an author of the Sand County Almanac.

Senator Risser, with unanimous consent, would like to introduce his guests attending the 1999 inaugural; Nancy Risser, daughter Lisa White, son-in-law Randy White, grandchildren Clinton White, Adam White, Elizabeth White.

Senator Robson, with unanimous consent, would like to introduce her guests attending the 1999 inaugural; Matt, Linda, Ryanne & Kyla Robson, Marshall Bown, Carolyn Brandeen, Scott Brunsell, Lou Chalk, Jim Cheadle, Gerry & Carol Elliott, Betty & Charles Kelly, Jan Leach, Ruth Lindgren, Terry & Stacy Maybee, Jason Meeks, Joe Michalski, Eldred Mielke, Chuck Neeson, Mary Nickolette, Kay and Bill O'Connell, Shirley Robotka, Nada and Gene Rupnow, Geoff Upperton, Larry Wiedenfeld, Jo Williams, and Prescott & Frances Wurlitzer.

Senator Erpenbach, with unanimous consent, would like to introduce his guests attending the 1999 inaugural; Kathy, Joey and Amy Erpenbach, Liz and Bill Erpenbach, U.S. Senator Russ & Mary Feingold, JoAnne & Joe Blanda, Theresa Blanda, Bonnie Howard, Dr. Fred & Beth Fosdahl, Jeff Snethen, Ellen Peterson Esser, and Kathy Farrell.

Senator Baumgart, with unanimous consent, would like to introduce his guests attending the 1999 inaugural; Carol Mae Baumgart, Kate Baumgart, Andrew L. Opgenorth, Jr., Carol Anderson, Helen Bergemann, Rick Baumgart, Roman Baumgart, Deborah Baumgart, Mary Baumgart, Kelly Baumgart, Kris Bruder, Norbert Koppelman, Erna Koppelman, Ray Prah, Erma, Prah, John Melzer, Glenda Melzer, Ed Klessig, Bob Schuricht, Dorothy Behr, Bob Day, Mary Day, Lil Meerstein, Bob Mattern, Marge Mattern, Bertha Keppler, Ernie Keppler, Maxine Keppler, Joseph De Master, Karen Mueller, Glen Mueller, Bob Turba, Doris Turba, Daniel Weber, Roy Sebald, Lillian Sebald, Dr. Aloys Tauscheck, Art Smoot, Donald Lampe, Beverly Lampe, Jeannie Nigh, Duane Nigh, Laura Stokdyk, Don Lohr, and Barbara Simonich.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Chvala, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate adjourn until Thursday, January 14 at 10:00 A.M..

Adjourned.

3:24 P.M.